

John R. Kasich, Governor Mary Taylor, Lt. Governor Craig W. Butler, Director

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Mr. Bruce Bailey Vice President of Technical Affairs quasar energy group 5575 Granger Road, Suite 320 Independence, OH 44131

Re: Biosolids Site Review

Dear Mr. Bailey:

Ohio EPA received a request on August 18, 2014 from quasar energy group to include the following sites as part of the Ringler Energy, LLC biosolids management program:

Field ID	Ohio EPA Site No.	<u>County</u>	Township
DEQ-02-01	21-00191	Delaware	Oxford
MOQ-06-01	59-00088	Morrow	Peru

These sites are owned and operated by William Thurston. DEQ-02-01 is located north of Route 229 near the Delaware/Morrow County line. MOQ-06-01 is located southwest of the intersection of Route 229 and Kilbourne-Cardington Road.

A review of these sites was conducted by Ohio EPA. Consideration was given to soil and landscape characteristics, isolation distances from residences, geology and ground water conditions and the proximity to waterways and wells.

The review indicated that portions of these sites contain hydrologic group D soils. Please refer to Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) 3745-40-08 (B)(2) for beneficial use restrictions for group D soils.

These sites are authorized to be included as part of the Ringler Energy biosolids program. This authorization is subject to conditions contained in both the NPDES permit and OAC 3745-40. Conditions contained in the NPDES permit and OAC 3745-40 may differ. In such cases, the more restrictive conditions from either the NPDES permit or OAC 3745-40 shall govern.

Highlights of these conditions are as follows:

1. Biosolids shall not be applied in buffer zones.

- 2. In accordance with federal/state rules, biosolids may not be applied within 33 feet of surface waters of the state.
- 3. Biosolids application shall be timed to avoid periods of excessive wetness to help prevent runoff from a site.
- 4. Records for the application of biosolids on these sites shall be maintained in accordance with the requirements found in OAC 3745-40-09(C).

All biosolids beneficially used at these sites shall be injected beneath the surface of the ground or immediately incorporated into the soil.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (614) 644-2150 or via email at betsy.vanwormer@epa.ohio.gov.

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Ohio EPA Sites 21-00191 and 59-00088 Field IDs: DEQ-02-01 and MOQ-06-01

Deleware and Morrow Counties Oxford and Peru Townships

